



LEELANAU COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/9-1-1

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Give Tree Debris Work Crews Room to Groom *Be Safe and Stay Away from Work Sites and Equipment*

Suttons Bay Township – The Leelanau County Office of Emergency Management/9-1-1 is asking residents and visitors to give work crews room to groom as they clear tree debris along roads and sites within the county.

Workers are using saws and heavy equipment—excavators, wood chippers and dump trucks—to remove dangerous tree debris. Both pedestrian and vehicle traffic is asked to stay away from active operations due to safety concerns.

"If you see one of our crews working, please stay away and let them clear the debris," said Matt Ansorge, Leelanau County Emergency Management Coordinator. "These work sites are very active and dangerous. Please be mindful of the operations taking place for your own safety."

Anyone with questions about the tree debris cleanup operations underway is asked to call the Leelanau County Storm Hotline at 231-256-8104.

About the Disaster

Gov. Rick Snyder declared a "state of disaster" on Aug. 10 for Grand Traverse County after severe thunderstorms caused widespread and severe damage on Aug. 2. Upon direction of the governor, the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division amended the declaration to include Leelanau County on Aug. 14.

By declaring a "state of disaster," the state of Michigan has made available all state resources in cooperation with local response and recovery efforts in the disaster area.

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